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This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 19, 2003 setting a three-month period for reply. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.136(a) and 1.17(a), it is respectfully requested that the period for reply be extended three months, i.e., up to and including May 19, 2004. Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$475.00 in payment of the fee therefore by a small entity. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-0320.

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